

What is claimed is:

Art
5 1. An electronic musical instrument comprising:
at least one connection terminal for connection
with a keyboard for use in a computer; and
a connection interface for connecting said keyboard
to said electronic musical instrument.

5 2. An electronic musical instrument comprising:
an operation panel that is operated by a user;
at least one connection terminal for connection
with a keyboard for use in a computer;
a connection interface for connecting said keyboard
to said electronic musical instrument; and
a replacing device that replaces operation
information input from said operation panel by operation
information input from said keyboard connected via said
connection terminal and said connection interface.

10 3. An electronic musical instrument comprising:
an operation panel that is operated by a user;
at least one connection terminal for connection
with a keyboard for use in a computer, said keyboard
5 having a plurality of keys;
a connection interface for connecting said keyboard
to said electronic musical instrument;
an assigning device that assigns functions that can
be executed by operating said operation panel
10 respectively to the keys of said keyboard connected via
said connection terminal and said connection interface;
and
15 an execution device that is responsive to operation
of any of the keys of said keyboard, for executing one
of said functions assigned to the operated key.

4. An electronic musical instrument as claimed in
claim 3, further comprising a display device, and a

second assignment device that assigns characters, symbols, or numerical values respectively to the keys of said keyboard connected to said electronic musical instrument, and wherein when any of the keys of said keyboard is operated, said execution device causes said display device to display a character, a symbol, or a numerical value assigned to the operated key if the operation of the key is significant for a screen view currently displayed on said display, and execute one of the functions assigned to the operated key if the operation of the key is significant for the screen view currently displayed.

5. An electronic musical instrument comprising:
an operation panel that is operated by a user;
at least one connection terminal for connection
with a keyboard for use in a computer, said keyboard
having a plurality of types of keys;
5 a connection interface for connecting said keyboard
to said electronic musical instrument;
an assigning device that assigns functions that can
be executed by operating said operation panel
10 respectively to the types of keys of said keyboard
connected via said connection terminal and said
connection interface; and
15 an execution device that is responsive to operation
of any of the types of keys of said keyboard, for
executing one of said functions assigned to the operated
type of key.

6. An electronic musical instrument as claimed in
claim 5, further comprising a display device, and a
second assignment device that assigns characters,
symbols, or numerical values respectively to the types
5 of keys of said keyboard connected to said electronic
musical instrument, and wherein when any of the types of
keys of said keyboard is operated, said execution device

5 causes said display device to display a character, a symbol, or a numerical value assigned to the operated type of key if the operation of the type of key is significant for a screen view currently displayed on said display, and execute one of the functions assigned to the operated key if the operation of the type of key is significant for the screen view currently displayed.

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